

SENATE FILE No. 29.—JUDICIARY.]

[By SUTTON.

A BILL

FOR AN ACT PROVIDING FOR CHANGES OF VENUE IN CRIMINAL CASES IN
THE DISTRICT COURTS ON BEHALF OF THE STATE.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa :

SECTION 1. In all criminal cases pending in the district courts of this State in which the
2 defendant has entered a plea of not guilty, the State shall be allowed a change of venue at
3 any time before the beginning of the trial therein upon the application of the attorney-
4 general or the district attorney of said district, alleging that the State cannot obtain a fair
5 trial in said county or before the judge of said court. When such an application is made
6 said case shall be transferred to the most nearest and most accessible county, or judge,
7 against whom no objection is made in said application.

SEC. 2. In all cases of change of venue on behalf of the State the same provisions shall
2 apply as to papers, and costs and as to the custody of the defendant as now apply when
3 changes of venue are granted on behalf of the defendant.

SEC. 3. All laws, acts and part of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect upon its publi-
2 cation in the Iowa State Register and Des Moines Leader, newspapers published at Des
3 Moines, Iowa.